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SECRETARY

Ms. Shuying Wang Hydrogeological Technician DEM/Groundwater Section Winston-Salem Regional Office 585 Waughtown Street Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27017



Re: NCDOT-Corriber

Request For Additional Closure Report Information

Dear Ms. Wang:

I am writing to respond to your letter dated December 2, 1994 requesting additional information about the UST Closure Report submitted for the above referenced site.

After reviewing our files, I have determined that the information you requested will have to be supplied by Aquaterra, Inc., NCDOT's environmental consultant for the UST closure. A request has been sent to Aquaterra to provide the first four items you noted. Once this information is received by NCDOT, we will forward it to the Groundwater Section.

As the enclosed partial highway plan sheet indicates, the site of the probable former pump island (planter) has been graded and covered with fill. Based upon a comparison of DOT and Aquaterra site plans, it appears that the USTs were directly beneath this pump island and their former pit is now partially beneath Stratford Road. It will therefore be impractical to obtain additional soil samples without considerable damage to the roadway and delays for traffic.

We do not believe such sampling to be necessary, since the USTs, pump(s) and associated piping were all apparently within or directly above the former tank pit. Most, if not all, petroleum products leaking from the UST system would have moved vertically into or beneath the tank pit and would surely have been detected when the tanks were excavated and/or closure samples were collected from beneath the USTs. Yet no evidence of any petroleum-contaminated soils was observed during the closure. Please notify this office if you believe such sampling is still justified.

Although we have no record of the date the Certified Mail card was signed by personnel of the Highway Building mail office, the Geotechnical Unit did not receive your letter until December

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16th. The delay in getting the letter to the proper destination was due to its being addressed to Mr. Sean Boyles without noting he was in the Geotechnical Unit. Mr. Boyles has not been an employee of NCDOT since July, 1992, when he began working for the Groundwater Section's Field Investigations Group. Due to our delayed receipt of your letter, we believe the deadline for our response should be January 15, 1995, by which time you will have the requested information.

Should you have any further questions or comments concerning this site, please do not hesitate contacting Mr. Jay King at the letterhead address, c/o the Geotechnical Unit, or by phone at (919) 250-4088.

Sincerely,

Gregory A. Smith

GeoEnvironmental Supervisor

Geotechnical Unit

GAS/gs attachment

cc: Ms. Susan Kite, Aquaterra, Inc.

